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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

No. 2:20-cv-00435-MKD

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION FOR REMAND PURSUANT TO SENTENCE FOUR OF 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) AND CLOSING FILE

ECF Nos. 14, 17

Defendant.

Plaintiff,

KILOLO KIJAKAZI, ACTING

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL

Before the Court is the parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 17, requesting remand of the above-captioned matter to the Commissioner for

- ¹ To protect the privacy of plaintiffs in social security cases, the undersigned identifies them by only their first names and the initial of their last names. *See* LCivR 5.2(c).
- ² Kilolo Kijakazi became the Acting Commissioner of Social Security on July 9,
- 2021. Pursuant to Rule 25(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Kilolo

Kijakazi is substituted for Andrew M. Saul as the defendant in this suit. No further

action need be taken to continue this suit. See 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

additional administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). Attorney Gary Penar represents Plaintiff. Attorney Kelly Arefi represents Defendant. The parties have consented to proceed before a magistrate judge. ECF No. 6.

After consideration, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The District Court Executive is directed to substitute Kilolo Kijakazi as the Defendant and update the docket sheet.
 - 2. The parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, ECF No. 17, is GRANTED.
- 3. The above-captioned case be **REVERSED** and **REMANDED** to the Commissioner of Social Security for further administrative proceeding pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

The parties have stipulated to the following:

On remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to:

- Reevaluate the medical opinions, prior administrative findings, and non-medical opinions of record in accordance with 20 C.F.R. § 416.920c;
- Obtain testimony from a new medical expert;
- Reevaluate Plaintiff's subjective complaints and Plaintiff's residual functional capacity;

- Continue the sequential evaluation and obtain vocational expert testimony, if necessary; and
- Issue a new decision.

See ECF No. 17 at 2.

- 3. Judgment shall be entered for **PLAINTIFF**.
- 4. Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment, ECF No. 14, is STRICKEN AS MOOT.
- 5. Upon proper presentation, this Court consider Plaintiff's application for fees and expenses under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d).

The District Court Executive is directed to enter this Order, enter **Judgment**, forward copies to counsel, and **CLOSE THE FILE**.

DATED December 13, 2021.

s/Mary K. Dimke
MARY K. DIMKE
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE